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Chief Engineer, Queensland Government Radio Service

Station 4QG's Chief Engineer

MR. F. W. STEVENS, at present assistant engineer at Station 3LO., Melbourne, who has been appointed chief engineer, Queensland Radio Service, commenced his career with the Postmaster-General's Department in Victoria. On the outbreak of war he was unable to enlist in the A.I.F., but having made a study of wireless was accepted for service with the Naval Transport Corps. After several exciting voyages he was transferred to the Royal Australian Naval Radio Service, and was sent to Samarai, New Guinea. He was at Samarai when the Armistice was signed, and when the Radio Service was transferred to the Postmaster-General's Department, returned to Australia and was attached to the Coastal Radio Station at Melbourne.

In 1921 Mr. Stevens, with two others, was selected from volunteers to man Willis Island Meteorological and Wireless Station. He spent six months on the island, during which time he saw no person other than the two members of the party who were with him. Mr. Stevens was interested in the earliest wireless tests carried out at the Melbourne Radio Station, and his voice was one of the first to be transmitted from Victoria to New Zealand. He joined Farmer's broadcasting service when Station 2F.C. commenced operations, and when Station 3L.C. was opened, was transferred to Melbourne to take charge of technical operations at the studios. Mr. Stevens is a man who is not only interested in wireless because of the fact that it is his profession, he is also doubly interested from the technical point of view. Much of the success which attended some of the transmissions from 2FC was due to his efforts, and listeners to 4QG should in the near future be glad to know that he is associated with wireless in Queensland.

It is expected that Mr. Stevens will arrive in Brisbane very shortly.

SITTING OF PARLIAMENT TO BE BROADCAST.

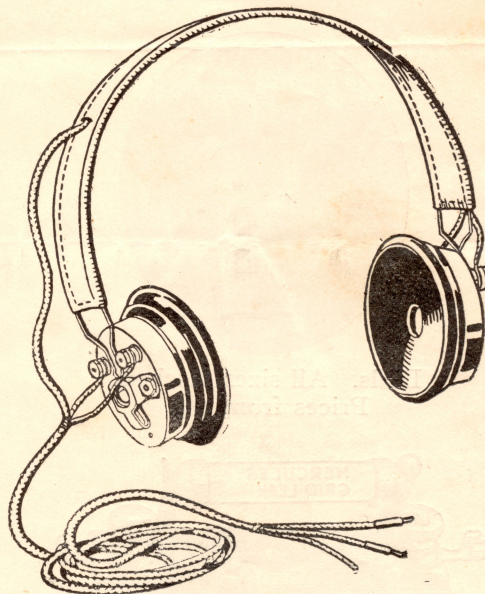
The Directors of Farmer & Co., Ltd., have pleasure in announcing that Station 2FC has been granted permission by the Hon. the Speaker to broadcast the proceedings of the Legislative Assembly on the opening day of Parliament. The necessary mechanical work is now being carried out in readiness for the event.

The New South Wales Assembly, by the enterprise of Station 2FC, is placed in the unique position of being the first Parliamentary body in the British Empire to have the proceedings of a sitting made available by wireless to the public. Full details of the programme will be published in good time to allow listeners-in to make arrangements for hearing the proceedings.

HEARD NINE HUNDRED FEET BELOW GROUND

Farmer's Broadcasting Station has received a most interesting letter written from Lithgow, by Master Jack Jones, a youngster of twelve years of age. He states:—"I was listening to you last night down 900ft. underground in a coal mine. I was using a three valve set, and the result was very good, but I am not content with this, and intend trying again with five valves. If more successful we will try and ring up the "Hello Man" during one of the intervals."

There truly seems to be no limitation as to the condition under which the advantages of wireless may be used.



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